

booths of NDDB's Fruit and Vegetable Project and the regular retail network.

Prime Minister's visit to Germany

3466. SHRI SUDHIR GIRI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister visited Germany recently; and

(b) if so, the objectives of the visit and the outcome in concrete terms?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMADHAVSINHSOLANKI):

(a) Yes, Sir. from 5-7 Sep., 91

(b) The main objectives of the visit and its outcome have been elaborated in the suo moto statement by the Prime Minister in the Lok Sabha on 13th Sept., 91.

Performance of Co-operative Sector

3467. SHRI ANNA JOSHI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to undertake any comprehensive measures to boost the performance of Co-operative Sector in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Brahma Prakash Committee has submitted its report; and

(d) if so, the main recommendations thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Measures being taken to boost the performance of cooperatives

include providing a legal framework to make cooperatives vibrant democratic institutions, strengthening of federal cooperative institutions at the State and national level, implementation of the Business Development Plan to revitalise primary cooperatives and the formulation of national Cooperative Policy.

(c) and (d). Yes, Sir. The main recommendations of the Committee relate to reducing the role of the Government in the functioning of the cooperatives and making the cooperatives true democratic institutions by active participation of the members in the management.

[Translation]

Setting up of Manganese based Industry in Madhya Pradesh

3468. SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government propose to set up a manganese based industry in Balaghat district of Madhya Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Supply of DMS Milk to Trans-Yamuna Area of Delhi

3469. SHRI PHOOLCHAND VERMA: SHRI B.L. SHARMA PREM:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state: